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Please review the attached Report. Upon your review and any edits we will load it to the web site and make it public



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Please find attached the ASPECT Field Report for the first 3 flights.

Let me know if you have any questions.

Regards,  
Ahmed

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Morning everyone,

The cloud cover is too low for us to collect any data with our sensors. We made a few loops this morning during a photo-only mission (oblique from this morning attached). The forecast is for sub-optimal cloud cover until mid to late afternoon. We've had ASPECT return to base and wait for conditions to improve.

We'll reassess the weather conditions early afternoon. If conditions improve sufficiently or there has been a new development with respect to the fire/plume, we'll make another flight this afternoon. Otherwise, we'll re-assess conditions Friday morning for continuing the mission if the Region still requires our support.

A draft report will be provided shortly. I will coordinate with Kellon regarding funding.

Have a wonderful Thanksgiving.

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Yes. Sorry, ASPECT is on site. Performing our emergency response line now. Nothing detected as of yet downwind.

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Have we heard if ASPECT has made it on site?

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ASPECT is airborne and en route. ETA 1.5 hours (0800 central)

Adam,  
I'll give you a call once they're close.

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Thanks. We're getting ASPECT airborne. We'll keep you posted.

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Region 6 is requesting ASPECT be flown over the location of the TPC Group plant explosion and fire in Port Neches, TX. The latitude is 29.97531 and longitude is -93.94491. At this time, we understand the principal chemical of concern is butadiene. The OSC on the ground is Adam Adams whose phone number is 214-202-6952. I may be reached at the Region 6 Spill line at 866-372-7745



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